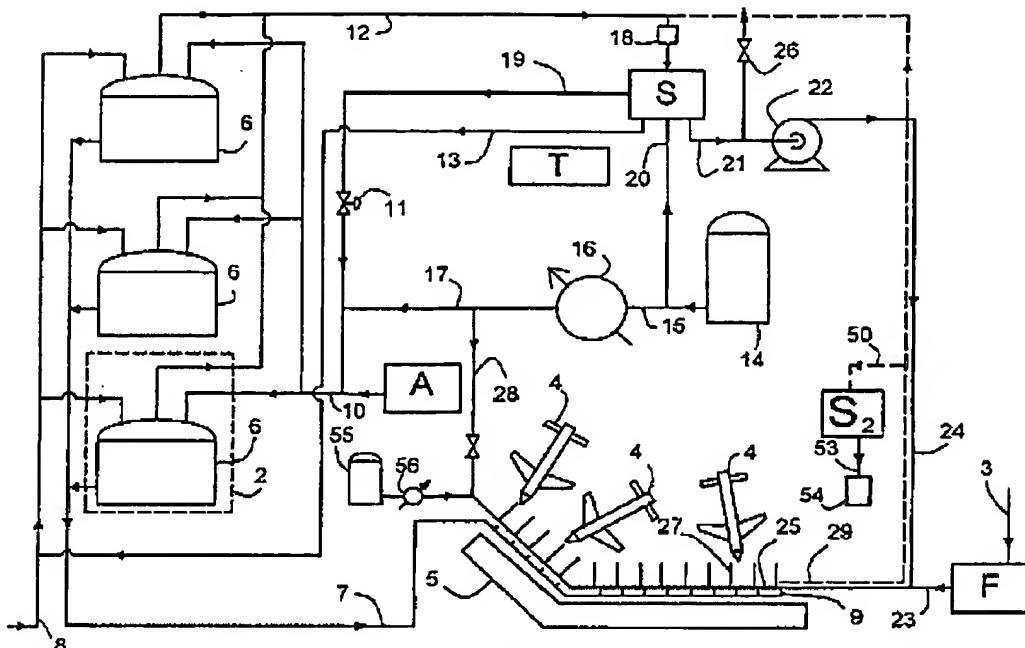


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Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the detailed remarks. Claim 20 was amended only to correct a grammatical error in accordance with the preamble of claim 32. Claims 11-36 are pending.

Claims 11-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by 2004/0194627 to *Huang*. Applicant hereby resubmits the declaration pursuant to 37 CFR §1.131 evidencing that the claimed invention was conceived prior to September 8, 2003, which is the effective 102(c) date for the *Huang* reference. Accordingly, the *Huang* reference does not qualify as prior art.

Claims 11-17, 19-21, 23-36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Coffinberry* (4020632) in view of either *Sauer* (6604558) or *Spadaccini* (6315815) and optionally in view of *Mullin* (4879052). As discussed in Applicant's previous response, Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections as there is absolutely no teaching, suggestion, or motivation to modify *Coffinberry* by the cited references as proposed. *As admitted by the Examiner, Coffinberry fails to disclose or suggest deoxygenated fuel.* The Examiner therefore utilizes as the primary reference that which is but a conventional gas turbine engine oil cooling system. As noted by the Examiner, *In re Oeticker* requires that "in order to rely on a reference as a basis for rejection of an Applicant's invention, the reference must either be in the field of Applicant's endeavor or, if not, then be reasonably pertinent to the particular problem with which the inventor was concerned." One would simply never look to the field of ground based aircraft fuel inerting filling systems for an airport to provide a method of thermal management for a gas turbine engine which *must inherently operate while the gas turbine engine is operating and the aircraft is in flight.*

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Again with claim 18, the Examiner needs to utilize yet another reference in an attempt to support the rejection. Such sweeping combinations with such a multiple of references further substantiates Applicant's point that the Examiner is improperly utilizing hindsight reasoning. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are required; however, should any fees or extensions of time be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 21-0279.

Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference will facilitate moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative can be contacted at the number indicated below.

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